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In re Application of
Lester Sussman
Application No. 09/781,698
Filed: February 13, 2001
Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR A
COMPLETE AND CONVENIENT
SHOPPING EXPERIENCE

DECISION ON PETITION

This is in response to the renewed petition, filed April 11, 2006, to withdraw the holding of abandonment.

On February 5, 2004, the Office mailed a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, which set a one-month extendable period to reply. The application became abandoned on March 6, 2004, for failure to submit a timely response to the Notice. On April 20, 2004, the Office mailed a Notice of Abandonment. On January 19, 2006, petitioner mailed the original petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment due to nonreceipt of the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment and the Notice of Abandonment; however, the petition was dismissed by the decision of April 3, 2006.

A review of the present renewed petition reveals that petitioner, Lester Sussman, did not sign the petition in accordance with 37 CFR 1.33(b). The Office notes that any paper, including a petition, must be signed by the appropriate party (i.e. Mr. Sussman). When an unsigned petition is received, the petition will be listed in the contents of the application file, but will not be entered. Therefore, the petition will not be treated on the merits until petitioner submits a duplicate copy of the renewed petition properly signed by Mr. Sussman, the petitioner. Thus, the petition is dismissed. Petitioner is given one month from the mailing date of this communication to furnish the Office with a properly signed petition. This time period may be extended under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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